

Mr Allen, chairman of the committee on enrolled bills reported "a bill to create the 16th Judicial District," correctly enrolled, properly signed, and this day presented to the Governor.

Mr Wren moved to adjourn until 9 A. M. to-morrow—lost.

Mr Taylor of Cass, moved suspension of the call—carried.

Mr Scott introduced a "joint resolution on the subject of our public debt," as a substitute for the bill.

Mr Whitaker moved to lay the substitute on the table.

Mr Scott moved to lay both bill and substitute on the table.

On motion of Mr Wren the Senate adjourned till 9 A. M. to morrow.

THURSDAY, December 20th, 1855.

The Senate was called to order by the President, pursuant to adjournment—roll called—quorum present.

The Journal of yesterday was read and adopted.

Mr Hill presented the petition of Anthon Lemcool and that of John Campbell; referred to the committee on Private Land Claims, No. 2.

Mr Burroughs presented the petition of sundry citizens of Jasper; referred to the committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr Potter, chairman of the Judiciary committee, to which was referred "a bill to amend the caption and first section of an act to incorporate the Texas Western Railroad company," approved February 16th, 1854; reported the same back, and recommended its passage.

Mr Potter, chairman of the same committee, made the following report:

"The Judiciary committee, to which was referred the petition of Isabella Wingate and John Collins, praying that the Commissioner of the General Land Office be authorized to issue to them as the heirs and legal representatives of Edward Wingate, patents to the lands located by virtue of certificate, No. 39, erroneously issued as alleged in said petition, in the name of Edward Wingate for one-third league of land, with the report thereon, by the committee on Private Land Claims, have considered the same, report them back to the Senate, and request to be discharged from the further consideration thereof.

Mr Caldwell, chairman of the committee on Indian affairs, made the following report:

The committee on Indian affairs, to which was referred a bill for the relief of Samuel Rowe, have considered the same, and from the evidence submitted, are satisfied that said Rowe has

rendered valuable services to the State, in removing and settling the Alabama Indians, in pursuance of a law, approved February 3d, 1844, and report a substitute for the bill, recommending the passage thereof.

Mr Bryan made the following report :

The Joint committee, appointed to make the necessary arrangements for the inauguration of the Governor and Lieutenant Governor elect, on the 21st inst., would respectfully report ; that in addition to having provided for the preliminary arrangements for said occasion, and the appointment of Capt. H. E. McCulloch, on the part of the Senate and Col. J. H. Brown, on the part of the House, to act as Marshals ; that the inauguration shall take place at 11 o'clock, A. M., in the hall of the House of Representatives ; that the desks and other furniture in the way, shall be so disposed of as to give the most room ; that the Governor and Lieutenant Governor elect, shall be seated on the right of the Speaker, and President of the Senate ; that the Supreme Court, with the Attorney General, shall be seated on the platform below the presiding officer ; that the heads of departments, and officers of the late Republic of Texas, shall occupy seats on the left of the platform ; that the Senators and Representatives shall occupy the seats around the platform ; that the ladies and citizens shall occupy the other seats in the hall and gallery—all of which is respectfully reported.

GUY M. BRYAN, Chairman on part of the Senate.

N. B. CHARLTON, Chairman on part of the House.

Mr White introduced a "bill to incorporate the Indianola Wharf Company," read first and second times, and referred to the committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr Pedigo introduced a bill for the relief of Amasa Rand—read first and second times and referred to the committee on Private Land Claims, No. 11, and

A bill to incorporate the town of Madison, in Orange county—read first and second times and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr Quinn offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the thanks of the Senate be tendered to the Hon. D. C. Dickson, President of the Senate, for the able manner, and distinguished impartiality with which he has presided over this body, and for his courteous and gentlemanly bearing towards its members.

On motion of Mr Taylor of Cass, the resolution was unanimously adopted.

Mr McCulloch introduced a joint resolution, respecting the removal of the regular troops of the United States from the State

of Texas—read first and second times, and referred to the committee on Indian affairs.

Mr McCulloch also introduced a "joint resolution to call a convention to revise and amend the Constitution of the State"—read first and second time.

Mr McCulloch moved to suspend the rule.

Mr Millican moved to indefinitely postpone the joint resolution.

On motion of Mr Palmer, the joint resolution was laid on the table.

Mr Palmer introduced a bill for the relief of D. D. Baker, assignee of Geo. Butler—read first and second times, and referred to the committee on Public Lands.

Mr Guinn moved that Senator Hill be excused from attendance, from the 21st to the 31st inst.—carried.

On motion of Mr Taylor of Cass, Mr Scott was excused from attendance, from the 25th day of December, till the 15th of January.

On motion of Mr. Palmer, Mr McCulloch was excused from attendance, from the 21st inst. till the 1st of January.

On motion of Mr Bryan, Mr Superviele was excused from attendance, for the same period.

Mr Taylor of Cass, moved to take up the House resolution referring the proposed adjournment of the two Houses, from the 21st till the 31st inst.

Mr Flanagan moved to lay the resolution on the table—carried by the following vote :

YEAS—Messrs. Allen, Armstrong, Bryan, Burroughs, Flanagan, Grimes, Guinn, Hill, Lott, McCulloch, Maverick, Millican, Pirkey, Russell, Scott, Superviele, Taylor of Cass, Taylor of Fannin, Truit, Weatherford, Whitaker, White and Wren, 23.

NAYS—Messrs. Caldwell, Doane, Martin, Palmer, Pedigo, Scarborough and Taylor of Houston, 7.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

The motion of Mr Scott, to lay upon the table the "bill giving the assent of the State of Texas, to an act to provide for the payment of such creditors of the late Republic of Texas, as are comprehended in the act of Congress of September 9th, 1850," which was passed at the second session of the thirty-third Congress of the United States, and approved February 28th, 1855, together with the substitute offered by him, being under consideration when the Senate adjourned, was taken up.

Mr Scott withdrew his motion to lay the bill and substitute on the table.

Mr Whitaker then withdrew his motion to lay the substitute on the table.

Mr Taylor of Fannin, moved to adjourn till 3 o'clock, P. M.—carried.

3 O'CLOCK P. M.

The Senate met, pursuant to adjournment—roll called—quorum present.

On motion of Mr Taylor of Cass, a bill, making an appropriation of ten thousand dollars to defray the contingent expenses of the 6th Legislature, was taken up, and the amendments of the House concurred in.

Mr Guinn, chairman of the committee on Engrossed bills, reported as correctly engrossed:

"A bill for the relief of the Buffalo Bayou, Brazos and Colorado Railroad company, and their assignees in certain cases."

"A bill to incorporate Milam Lodge, No 23, of the I. O. of O. F." And

"A bill to be entitled, an act to provide for the investment of the special school fund, in bonds of Railroad companies, incorporated by the State."

The bill on the proposition of Congress, for the liquidation of the Texas debt, being under consideration when the Senate adjourned, was taken up.

A message was received from the House, informing the Senate of the appointment of a committee by the House, consisting of Messrs. Gaines, Devereaux, and Martin of Lawrence; to act with a like committee from the Senate, and inform the Governor and Lieutenant Governor elect, of their election.

On motion of Mr Palmer, the bill under consideration was laid on the table, and the resolution was taken up, and Messrs. Palmer, Lott, and Allen, were appointed a committee on the part of the Senate.

On motion of Mr Russell, the Senate adjourned till to-morrow at 9 o'clock, A. M.

FRIDAY, DEC. 21st, 1855.

The Senate was called to order by the President pursuant to adjournment—prayer by the chaplain—roll called—quorum present. The Journal of yesterday was read and adopted.

Mr. Martin presented the petition of the citizens of Navarro county—referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr Potter, chairman of the Judiciary committee, to which was referred a bill to incorporate the Brazoria county Insurance company, returned the same, recommending its passage.

Mr Potter from the committee on claims and accounts, made the following report: